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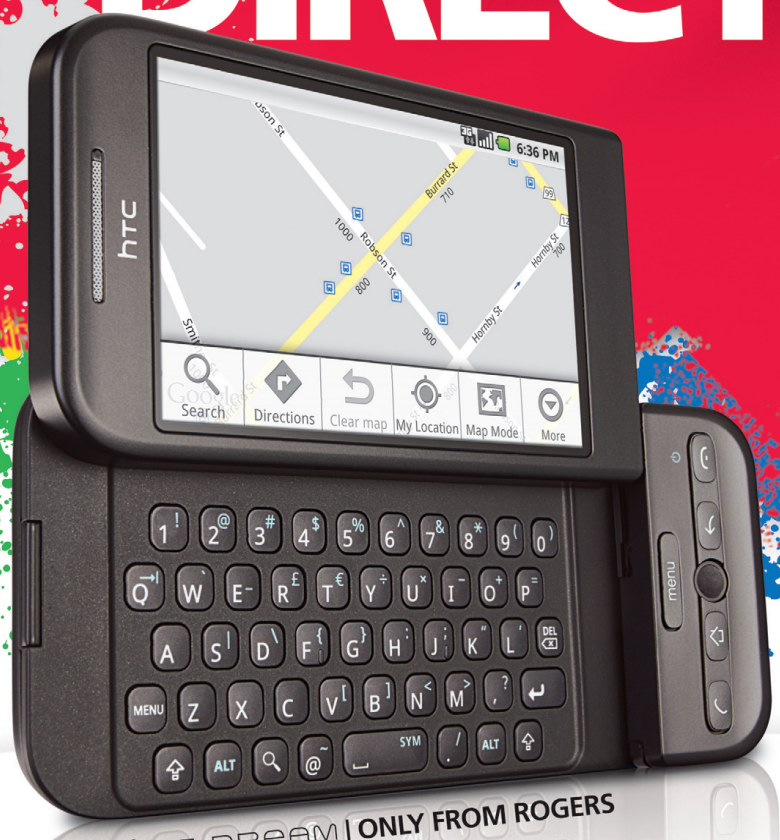


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## Celebrity Buzz

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## Bomb claims Canadian soldier

**AFGHANISTAN** A Canadian soldier was killed by a bomb blast while on foot patrol in southern Afghanistan yesterday, military officials said. He was the 119th member of Canada's armed forces to die in Afghanistan.

Officials named the dead man as 20-year-old Pte. Alexandre Peloquin. Canada has about 2,700 soldiers based in the southern city of Kandahar on a mission that is due to end in 2011.

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**New Moon**

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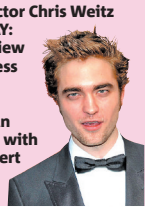

Out for a ride — **Bike Share**

TRACEY TONG/METRO OTTAWA

National Capital Commission CEO Marie Lemay, front, Ottawa's acting mayor Michel Bellemare and Gatineau Mayor Marc Bureau test out a few of the bikes for the trial run of the Bike Share program yesterday. This summer, the NCC is collaborating with the two cities to conduct a feasibility study on the bike share system in the heart of the nation's capital. Story, pg 3

# Tape puts Raitt back into spotlight

## Tory minister under fire again after recording released

**Natural Resources Minister Lisa Raitt calls the medical isotope crisis "sexy," looks forward to getting credit for fixing it, and expresses doubts about the skill of Health Minister Leona Aglukkaq in a recording made public by a Halifax newspaper.**

Raitt made the comments to her then-aide, Jasmine MacDonnell, who appears to have inadvertently recorded the conversation, the Halifax Chronicle-Herald reported.

In the recording, Raitt and MacDonnell discuss their unsuccessful efforts to get Aglukkaq to contribute a quote to a news release on the isotope crisis.

"You know what? Good. Because when we win on this, we get all the credit. I'm ready to roll the dice on this," Raitt says in a recording posted on the paper's website.

"Oh, Leona. I'm so disappointed," she adds.

Raitt then says she thinks that Aglukkaq's staff is trying to shield her.

"Oh, God. She's such a capable woman, but it's hard for her to come out of a cooperative government into this rough-and-tumble … I really hope she never gets anything hot," she says.

The recording, on which MacDonnell and Raitt are talking in a car during a visit to Victoria, was made on Jan. 30, not long after a heavy water leak at the Chalk River nuclear reactor, the newspaper reported. The reactor, which produces more than a third of the medical isotopes used worldwide in scans to detect cancer and heart ailments, was shut down in May.

In another excerpt posted online, MacDonnell says the isotope issue is hard to control, "because it's confusing to a lot of people."

"But it's sexy," says Raitt. "Radioactive leaks. Cancer."

"Nuclear contamination," says MacDonnell.

"But it's only about money," says Raitt.

> **"While embarrassing, this in no way affects the minister's ability to do her job."**
> Dimitri Soudas, press secretary

The Prime Minister's Office expressed its confidence in Raitt last night.

"The government of Canada didn't try to block the release of the tape. This was a private conversation, and the minister was not aware she was being taped. While embarrassing, this in no way affects the minister's ability to do her job. Ministers Raitt and Aglukkaq have the confidence of the PM," press secretary Dimitri Soudas said in an emailed statement.

MacDonnell unsuccessfully sought an injunction yesterday to block publication of the conversation by the Chronicle-Herald. Nova Scotia Supreme Court Justice Gerald Moir denied the application.

# Cash flows in for big projects

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**BUILDING** Some big construction projects will be hitting Ottawa as part of the $375 million in infrastructure funding announced last week.

Elected officials made the rounds yesterday to announce details of three projects in southwest Ottawa, starting with a $52.6-million investment to extend the southwest Transitway.

"This Transitway will allow speedy travel from the Barrhaven Town Centre into the city and take bus traffic off the road," said Nepean-Carleton MP Pierre Poilievre. "It is a massive win for both commuters and motorists."

In preparation for a southern Rideau River crossing, $34.8 million is being invested to expand the Earl Armstrong Road and begin construction on the Strandherd Bridge.

"The Earl Armstrong Road widening project is an important piece of the Strandherd Armstrong Bridge Corridor," said Coun. Steve Desroches.

In Greely, residents got the scoop on a $1.2 million, 3,000-square-foot new Ottawa Public Library Branch to replace the current 861-square-foot building.

"The 20-year wait for a new library in Greely is now over," said Coun. Doug Thompson. "Within a few months, over 7,000 residents from the Village of Greely and surrounding areas will have access to a modern, full-sized library. This an absolutely remarkable story."

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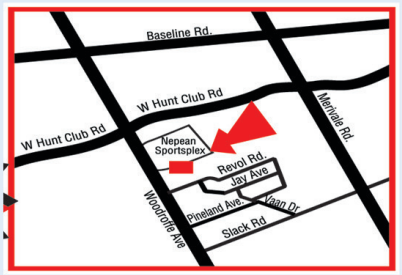


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**Proposal in works for hand sanitizers on buses**
Bay Ward Coun. Alex Cullen and nursing graduate Jenn St. Jean will be releasing more information today on a proposal for hand sanitizers on OC Transpo buses. The proposal will go to the June 17 transit committee meeting. METRO OTTAWA

# Local

## Capturing wildlife

**Thirty winning photographs from the first annual Canadian Wildlife Photography of the Year Contest featuring images of birds, mammals, urban wildlife, baby critters and more, will be on display at the Canadian Museum of Nature starting this week. The contest, organized by Canadian Geographic in partnership with the Canadian Museum of Nature and the Alliance of Natural History Museums of Canada, opens Friday and runs through Sept. 7.** METRO OTTAWA

## Suspect sought in bank theft

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**INVESTIGATION** Ottawa police are seeking the public's assistance in identifying a man after a TD Canada Trust bank branch was robbed over the weekend.

Suspect

At 10:55 a.m. on Saturday, a lone suspect entered the TD Canada Trust in the Bank Street and Hunt Club Road area.

Police said the suspect produced a note demanding money and made off with an undisclosed amount of cash. There were no injuries.

Police are seeking an English-speaking black male, 15-19 years old, five feet four-to-seven inches tall with a slim build. Anyone with information is asked to contact the Robbery Section at 613-236-1222 ext. 5116, or Crime Stoppers at 613-233-8477 (TIPS).

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# Rent your wheels in bike share trial

## Ottawa, Gatineau seek user feedback on summer eco-friendly program

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**This summer residents on both sides of the river will be able to take advantage of fast, healthy, eco-friendly transit — without owning their own bikes.**

The National Capital Commission and the cities of Ottawa and Gatineau launched their Ottawa-Gatineau Bike Share Trial Run yesterday.

The program — which allows residents, workers and visitors in the National Capital Region to travel in a greener way — is also part of a feasibility study for a permanent bike share program.

"This is another positive step towards making the National Capital Region a more vibrant, livable, and attractive place," said NCC CEO Marie Lemay. "It lays the groundwork for a broader progressive initiative that encourages environmentally friendly travel."

### Designed for public use

- The unisex, three-speed bikes to be used here — designed for public bike sharing in Montreal — have lots of features that make it easy for a variety of people to use, said Public Bike System company president Alain Ayotte.
- The seats are adjustable and the tires are wide, making them easier to ride. The bikes will be checked and maintained on a regular basis, said Ayotte. The system, which features a patent lock and an internal security device, also guards against theft.

Now through the end of September, 50 bicycles will be available between four stations, two located in each of downtown Ottawa and downtown Gatineau.

Users swipe their credit cards to pay a $3 user fee and to get a code to unlock a bike. While the first half hour is free, bikes are charged per half hour of use after that. The fee structure is designed for shorter trips, so that bikes are available to others.

Users will be asked to provide feedback on the system and their experiences.

If all goes well, there could be 300 to 500 shared bikes in the region this time next year, said Lemay. "The residents here are very environmentally conscious," she said. "We think this is going to be very well received."

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British High Commissioner Anthony Cary, left, and Colonel John By, a.k.a. Rideau Canal Historic Site of Canada's Don MacKay, helped kick off the second annual Rideau Canal Festival at Confederation Park yesterday.

# Canal fest aims again for 'zero footprint'

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The city's first zero-footprint festival is back.

But carbon neutrality isn't the only reason to attend. Neither is the fact that the festival won — in its first year, no less — the title of Ontario's best new festival in 2008.

Ottawans will find plenty to do at the Rideau Canal Festival while celebrating the UNESCO World Heritage Site designation of the Rideau Canal.

To be held July 31-Aug. 3, the 2009 edition of the festival will again "Aim for Zero Footprint" — the theme of this year's celebration — with activities including the Energy Ottawa's Green Rendezvous, an Ecosphere environmental fair; a Green Speakers Series and the Enbridge Buy Local Barbecue Challenge.

### July 31-Aug. 3

- The second annual Rideau Canal Festival will kick off with a party and include flotillas, fireworks, a new Rideau Heritage Village, the canoe rendezvous and Colonel By Day celebrations on the Civic Holiday Monday.

"The environmental fair, with its eco-speaker series, really presents the festival as a carbon-neutral festival," said Henry Storgaard, chairman of the Rideau Canal Festival. "We're making the same commitment this year to a zero-footprint festival."

For the first time, the festival will be collaborating with the Ottawa Chamber Music Festival for the Musical Breeze Parade of Bicycles, said Storgaard.

This year's festival also includes a new educational component.

Through the Rideau Canal Connection Project, more than 600 students from Vincent Massey School here and Georges Vanier Catholic Fine Arts School in Saskatoon created artwork that will be featured on OC Transpo buses.

The Adopt-A-Metre program is also returning, offering members of the public and corporate sector the chance to adopt a piece of the Rideau Canal for $20. The donation will help offset carbon emissions.

# No foul, stop trial: O'Brien's defence

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The charges against Mayor Larry O'Brien do not contravene the Criminal Code and his trial should be stopped, his defence lawyer insisted yesterday.

Elaborating on the position he alluded to last Wednesday, defence lawyer David Paciocco spent most of yesterday attempting to convince Judge Douglas Cunningham that a "political advantage" does not match the definition of "reward, benefit or advantage of any kind" as used in the Criminal Code.

O'Brien is facing two criminal charges stemming from allegations that he attempted to secure a National Parole Board appointment for Terry Kilrea in exchange for Kilrea dropping out of the 2006 mayoral election.

Paciocco argued that "reward, benefit, of advantage of kind" in the sections of the Criminal Code used to charge O'Brien, 121(1)(d) and 125(b) had to be "measurable, material of tangible gain or profit."

Otherwise, Paciocco argued that negotiating Senate or ambassador appointments would be illegal, as would incidents when MPs Belinda Stronach, Scott Brison, and David Emerson switched parties and were immediately given desirable positions in the government.

Taken to literal extremes, he suggested it could even be illegal to discuss an appointment in exchange for hard work.

The reality is, said Paciocco, it is not possible to determine whether Kilrea being in the 2006 race would have hurt O'Brien, or if it benefited O'Brien when Kilrea dropped out.

"There is no evidence … upon which this court could conclude that the withdrawal of Terry Kilrea constituted a material or tangible gain," he said. "(Political advantage) has no exchangeable value, like a house or a car or a series of meals. It's not something that can be valued."

Crown attorney Scott Hutchison argued that patronage appointments and Parliamentary floor-crossings are irrelevant to this case.

"One individual said, remove yourself from this political contest, do not compete against me for this political elected office and I will use my influence, cooperation, et cetera, to secure you a federal appointment," said Hutchison. "Did Parliament mean to criminalize that or not?"

O'Brien's trial resumes this morning.

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**Development evaluation training program kicks off at Carleton**

More than 150 evaluation professionals from all over the world began training with the International Program for Development Evaluation Training, which responds to the changing international environment, at Carleton University yesterday. METRO OTTAWA

# Panel calls for public input

MJ DESCHAMPS
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**While some Ottawa councillors are pushing to move the city into negotiations with a group of businessmen to redevelop Lansdowne Park, Coun. Clive Doucet is unhappy with the fact that the proposed project involved no public consultation.**

Doucet hosted a panel discussion yesterday to voice his concern about the sole-source, unsolicited procurement proposal of Lansdowne Live that the City of Ottawa is looking to go ahead with.

Joined by Doucet on the panel were bureaucrat Allan Cutler, president of the Canadian Advanced Technology Alliance John Reid, and Ian Lee, director of the Sprott MBA program at Carleton University.

"Sole-source practices are corrupt," said Lee. "(Canada) is ranked by the UN as one of the most ethical and transparent countries, but with this, it seems as though we're regressing. We're being hypocrites here, and not walking the talk."

City, provincial and federal practices say that all contracts above $25,000 must go to public tender.

The city and taxpayers are currently paying $3.8 million a year for Lansdowne Park's general maintenance. The site had previously been the subject of an international design contest, but that ended when a team of local developers brought forward their proposal. Lansdowne Live would balance sports and entertainment facilities with green space, shopping/dining and a multi-purpose stadium.

# Music camp gives disadvantaged kids a chance

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Childhood friends Jarratt Best and Bruce Kyreh-Addo created Rise and Flow, a free music day camp to empower youth who are struggling with the same kinds of issues they faced as kids.

In a time when not all families can afford to send their kids to camp, two Carleton University students are making sure that kids are getting the chance to take part in that fundamental camp experience regardless of their family's financial situation.

Gearing up for its second year, Rise and Flow is a free music day camp for low-income youth.

Having grown up in low-income households themselves, childhood friends and camp founders Jarratt Best and Bruce Kyreh-Addo say the goal of their three-week camp is to empower youth struggling with the same kinds of issues they themselves faced as kids.

"We come from an area (in Scarborough) that's affected by the same things we feel our camp helps youth with — overcoming adversity, dealing with drugs and violence, and living in an environment with gangs and different sorts of crime," said Best.

"The goal of Rise and Flow's programs are to actually build confidence in youth and to help them progress, not just to give them something to do during the day."

Run through Black Affinity and held at Carleton University, the three-week camp operated last year on only $5,000 from grants and sponsors. While the camp's main activities focus on writing, producing and playing music, sub-programs include a green initiative, 'YouthVironment' teaches kids the importance of keeping their communities clean, while "We-Quality" emphasizes the importance of girls and women in society.

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**Man finds grenade in garage**
A Charlottetown man found a suspected Second World War-era grenade in his garage. The man dropped it off at a police station yesterday, CBC News Online reports. METRO NEWS SERVICES **5**

# Canada

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Finance Minister Jim Flaherty smiles yesterday as he walks through the International Economic Forum of the Americas conference in Montreal. Flaherty said more Canadians are spending money now that signs of economic recovery are beginning to show.

## Canadians spending more money: MP

### Flaherty says economic recovery may be on its way

**Global economic recovery may be on its way, and certainly in Canada people are loosening their purse strings again, Finance Minister Jim Flaherty said yesterday.**

He also said the federal government's budget deficit now looks to be "slightly more" than $50 billion this fiscal year, but most of it is one-time spending, such as stimulus initiatives and aid for the automotive industry, and not a structural shortfall.

Flaherty's remarks on an economic recovery echoed those of others who are seeing "green shoots," and he spoke of improvements in financial markets.

**Housing starts up**

- As an indication of housing demand, Canada Mortgage and Housing Corp said yesterday that housing starts had risen 9.2 per cent in May to a seasonally adjusted annual rate of 128,400 units, and should grow this year and in 2010.

"The global recession began in financial markets. These positive signs in financial markets give us cause for cautious optimism that a global economic recovery may not be far behind," he told reporters.

In Canada, Flaherty said he saw increases in demand for new housing. "I think people are responding to the fact that mortgage rates are low," he said, noting that rates are at their lowest level since the Second World War.

"What I see in the Canadian economy is some indications of stabilization and some positive indications about people being willing to spend again," Flaherty said. "I know, just in terms of personal household infrastructure, we have had a huge response to the home renovation tax credit. We know that it's out there working in the economy and that people are spending the money." REUTERS

## Canada geese blamed in crash

**MIGRATION** Migratory Canada geese, and not local birds, were responsible for bringing down a US Airways jet that landed safely in New York's Hudson River in January, researchers reported.

The team said their research could lead to better ways to prevent aircraft bird strikes. Samples showed the birds were most similar to migratory Canada geese from the Labrador region. REUTERS

## Tens of millions lost in precious mint metals

**MISSING** A mint's missing stock of precious metals is worth tens of millions of dollars.

While officials at the Royal Canadian Mint have not publicly released a value, insiders have confirmed that auditors are trying to track precious metals, believed to be gold, worth millions and in the "double-digits."

That amount of missing gold would weigh in at more than 400 kilograms. An external audit, launched in early March, is trying to reconcile the mint's records with the physical stocks of gold, silver, platinum and palladium, the four precious metals used by the Crown corporation in its production of coins and collector sets.

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**Early voter turnout increases in Nova Scotia**

A provincial election campaign that turned rancorous late last week after polls put the NDP in first place seems to have galvanized Nova Scotians to get out to the ballot box. The number of Nova Scotians who voted in advance and special polls is up by 17 per cent over the last election three years ago, CBC News Online reports. METRO NEWS SERVICES

# Transport minister chides call for cash

**CITIES** Toronto's one and only application for funding under the federal government's $4 billion infrastructure stimulus fund is in jeopardy after federal Transport Minister John Baird gave a harsh criticism on the city's failure to meet the technical criteria.

Toronto made a calculated move to seek funding to replace its aging streetcar fleet by submitting just one application while most municipalities submitted long lists of projects ranging from bridge repairs to sewer upgrades.

Mayor David Miller said Toronto wants only funding to buy 204 streetcars in a $1.2-billion project for the cars built by Bombardier.

The city said that based on its population, Toronto's share of the stimulus fund announced in the January budget would be about $312 million.

TORSTAR NEWS SERVICE

# Study suggests benefits of multivitamins in pregnancy

**HEALTH** Women who load up on multivitamins during pregnancy are far less likely to deliver underweight or pre-term babies, says a study published today in the Canadian Medical Association Journal.

The finding should prompt the World Health Organization to change its prenatal vitamin policy, which currently distributes folic acid and iron free to expectant mothers in developing nations, the study's lead author says.

"The WHO's policy suggests that ... there is no advantage to multivitamins," says Dr. Prakesh Shah, a neonatologist at Toronto's Mount Sinai Hospital.

TORSTAR NEWS SERVICE

# Baby beluga doing just fine

## Vancouver Aquarium newborn introduced to other relatives

**The baby beluga born at the Vancouver Aquarium on Sunday is doing well and has been introduced to her other relatives.**

The baby beluga born at the Vancouver Aquarium on Sunday is doing well and has been introduced to her other relatives.

Staff veterinarian Dr. Marty Haulena said that observations during the first 18 hours showed strong interaction between Aurora and her calf and that nursing is underway.

Just after 9 a.m. yesterday, the baby met Qila and her one-year-old calf Tiga.

The two mothers and daughters swam in pairs for the first minute, marking the first occasion for two beluga calves to share a habitat at the Vancouver Aquarium. As they swam, Tiqa became increasingly curious about the new baby.

"This is an exciting time for everyone — Aurora, her calf, our other belugas and certainly for Aquarium visitors," Haulena said.

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Aurora and her newborn beluga calf swim with Qila and Tiqa.

"Aurora is doing a great job and we continue to see her maternal instincts come to the fore."

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**Alaska reports five flu cases from liner**

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# World

## Gabonese president dies

**Gabon's president Omar Bongo, Africa's longest-serving leader, died yesterday in a Spanish clinic, the Gabonese prime minister said. The death of Bongo, pictured at left with his wife, comes after more than four decades in power and leaves a political void in the oil-producing country which he tightly controlled. The 73-year-old checked into the clinic in Barcelona in May, officially to rest after the death of his wife.** REUTERS

## Baghdad bomb kills seven

**IRAQ** A bomb attached to a minibus killed seven people and wounded 24 others at a bus terminal in southern Baghdad yesterday, police said. Violence has fallen sharply in Iraq over the past year, and the number of civilians killed in May was the lowest monthly toll since the U.S.-led invasion in 2003. But Iraqi and U.S. forces have yet to stamp out a stubborn insurgency. REUTERS

## Brown: 'I know I need to improve'

**POLITICS** British Prime Minister Gordon Brown survived a challenge to his authority yesterday, winning over Labour members of parliament after admitting mistakes and taking responsibility for a week of political turmoil. Addressing Labour's 350 MPs a day after his party suffered a defeat in European elections, Brown said he was determined to fight on as leader. "I know I need to improve," Brown told the MPs, according to a spokesman. Most Labour members threw their weight behind him ahead of a general election due within a year. REUTERS

Brown

# North Korea jails two U.S. journalists

**North Korea yesterday raised the stakes in its confrontation with Washington by sentencing two American journalists to 12 years hard labour for "grave crimes" while U.S. President Barack Obama's spokesman said the two were innocent and should be freed.**

Obama is due to meet with South Korean President Lee Myung-bak at the White House on June 16 to discuss a number of issues, expected to include growing threats by North Korea which tested a nuclear bomb in May.

The journalists, Euna Lee and Laura Ling, of Current TV, were arrested in March working on a story near the border between North Korea and China. The trial for the two, working for the company co-founded by former U.S. vice-president Al Gore, had opened Thursday.

Euna Lee, left, and Laura Ling were arrested March 18 on the China-North Korea border.

"The trial confirmed the grave crime they committed against the Korean nation and their illegal border crossing as they had already been indicted and sentenced each of them to 12 years of reform through labour," the official KCNA news agency said in a brief dispatch.

In Washington, White House spokesman Robert Gibbs said the journalists' fate should not be linked to the dispute over Pyongyang's nuclear program.

The White House said in a statement Obama was "deeply concerned" and added: "We are engaged through all possible channels to secure their release."

The journalists' sentence seemed certain to deepen the chill in relations with the United States which has been trying for years to convince Stalinist North Korea to give up its ambition of becoming a nuclear weapons power. REUTERS

## Iran Tying on support for Mousavi

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Supporters of former Iranian prime minister and presidential candidate Mirhossein Mousavi wear green ribbons, the symbolic colour of his campaign, as they prepare to participate in a human chain in Tehran yesterday.

## U.S. pushes for Mideast talks

**ENVOY** The U.S. said yesterday it would make a new push for Israeli-Palestinian talks and envoy George Mitchell, en route to the region, hoped to lay the groundwork.

"The president has told me to exert all efforts to create the circumstance when the parties can begin immediate discussions," Mitchell told reporters, referring to renewed negotiations that U.S. President Barack Obama has pledged to pursue.

Mitchell was to meet Israeli Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu today and Palestinian president Mahmoud Abbas tomorrow.

Netanyahu is at odds with Obama over the president's demand to halt Israeli settlement expansion in the occupied West Bank and has not endorsed the creation of a Palestinian state, a cornerstone of U.S. Middle East policy. REUTERS

### Gun battle

- Israeli soldiers yesterday killed three Palestinian militants who had planned to blast open Israel's fenced border with the Hamas-run Gaza Strip.

## News in brief

**THAILAND** Gunmen killed 10 and wounded 12 when they opened fire at a mosque in Thailand's south yesterday. An insurgency has been rumbling in the area since 2004. REUTERS

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**Colombian volcano erupts again**

Colombia's Galeras volcano erupted yesterday for the second time in 24 hours, showering villages in the surrounding area with ash, but causing no damage or injuries, authorities said. Galeras is closely observed because of the threat it poses to nearby populations. Eight eruptions have rattled the volcano so far this year. REUTERS

## News in brief

**DIPLOMACY** Libyan leader Muammar Gaddafi has requested a meeting with 700 Italian women during his historic visit to Rome next week. Gaddafi, who has a women-only corps of bodyguards, held a similar meeting on a visit to Paris in 2007 with 1,000 selected women guests, who were told he wanted to "save European women." REUTERS

# Pentagon admits 'problems' with air strike

**The Pentagon acknowledged yesterday that there were "problems" with the way U.S. forces conducted a bombing raid in Afghanistan that provoked outrage over civilian casualties.**

U.S. Defence Secretary Robert Gates was briefed on the investigation into the incident, which took place in early May in the western province of Farah, a Pentagon spokesman said.

"There were some problems with some tactics, techniques and procedures or ... the way in which close air support was supposed to have been executed in this case," said Pentagon press secretary Geoff Morrell.

The bombing heightened tensions between Afghans and foreign troops over civilian casualties. Afghan President Hamid Karzai has urged an end to U.S. air strikes in his country, but Washington has rejected his call.

Afghan officials put the civilian death toll from the Farah bombing as high as 140. An Afghan human rights watchdog put the total at 97 and said no more than two Taliban fighters were killed.

**"There were some problems with some tactics, techniques and procedures."**
Pentagon press secretary Geoff Morrell

The U.S. military has said 20-35 civilians were among 80-95 people killed, most of them Taliban fighters who used the civilians as human shields.

Morrell said a B-1 bomber, after identifying the targeted building, had to break off and then return to the scene to carry out the strike, without checking again whether the target was still appropriate.

He declined to say whether the investigation, carried out by the U.S. military's Central Command, had found fault with any other part of the operation.

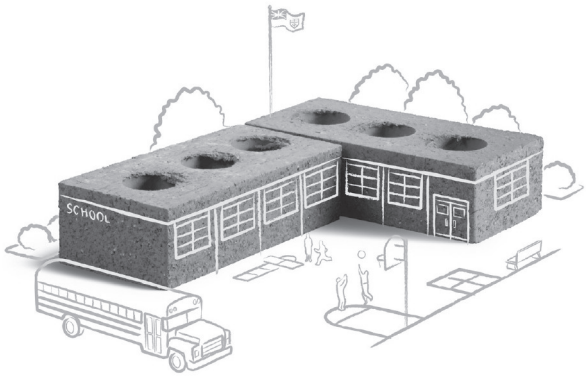
Morrell's remarks were the first public acknowledgment by the Pentagon of problems with the bombing operation. But last week military officials, speaking on condition of anonymity, confirmed a New York Times report that said the investigation had uncovered mistakes in the air strikes.

Central Command expects to release a summary of the investigation's findings later this week.

REUTERS

## Damages awarded for Omagh

**NORTHERN IRELAND** Four individuals and an outlawed militant group, the Real IRA, were responsible for the deadliest bombing in Northern Ireland's three decades of sectarian conflict, a court ruled in a landmark damages award yesterday. Twenty-nine people were killed, among them a woman pregnant with twins, and more than 200 wounded when the Real IRA, a splinter group of the Irish Republican Army, detonated a car bomb in the market town of Omagh in 1998. The court awarded around 1.5 million pounds in damages. No one has been convicted for the attack, carried out months after the signing of a peace agreement. Relatives of victims took civil action against five men in 2001. One of the men was cleared. REUTERS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## Comment

# Time is right for Grits

The doomsayers were wrong again. There's no great depression, as some were forecasting last fall. And the recession, while serious enough, will not be one of dire magnitude. Experts are now suggesting we're already past the worst of it.

"We are in the process of turning the corner," said Aron Gample, deputy chief economist at the Bank of Nova Scotia. "Bonds, stocks — every market is telling you we are at this transition from recession to recovery."

Unemployment has reached an 11-year high of 8.4 per cent. Compared to the years from the late 1970s into the 1990s when double-digit joblessness was the norm, it's hardly earth-shattering.

The relatively good news changes the political equation. A summer election has suddenly become a better bet. The Liberals are divided on the prospect, but the latest economic outlook gives the party's election hawks more ammunition. The Grits' chances of winning an election today are good. Tomorrow, who knows. The economy was supposed to be the Conservatives' death trap. Given time, it could turn into their lifeline.

**"With a decent campaign, (the Liberals will) likely win."**
Pollster Frank Graves

The Grits won 26 per cent of the vote the last election. They're about 10 points higher in most polls now and hold a narrow lead over the Tories. Pollster Frank Graves said in an interview if he were Liberal leader, he'd push for an election right now. "With a decent campaign, they'll likely win."

Given the changing economic tides, the Conservatives no longer fear an immediate election. It's even possible the Liberals won't need the support of the other opposition parties to force a campaign. If they signal their wish for one, Prime Minister Stephen Harper might well say, "OK, let's go."

Whether it's now or later, it's a good bet Harper will lead his troops into a fourth campaign. That prospect would have been unlikely had the economic plunge been as deep as originally expected. The new tidings mean Finance Minister Jim Flaherty, he of the bone-headed economic updates and wonky deficit forecasts, will likely stay in place as well.

Many were hoping the PM would turn to the steady Jim Prentice to take over finance. It would have positioned him as the Harper heir apparent. But Flaherty is safe and Prentice will be left holding the bag in the environment portfolio where the government's foot-dragging on a carbon emissions regime has become embarrassing.

For the prime minister to move Flaherty now would be an admission of failed economic management. That's the case the Liberals have been trying to make. It will become harder as time moves on.

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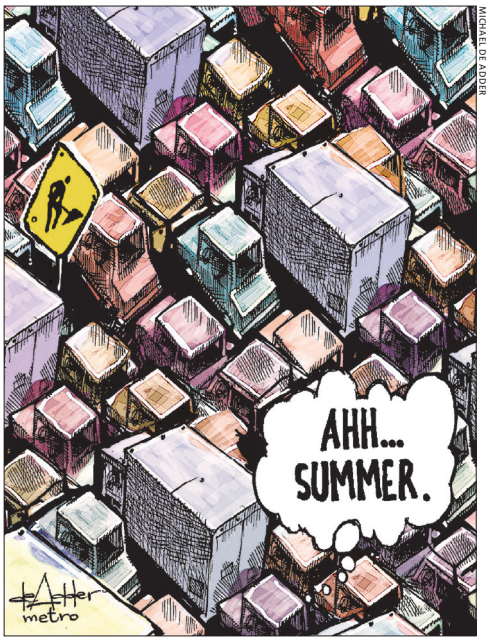


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## Views

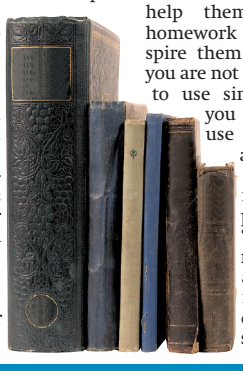
# Time to boost Canadian literacy rates

It's hard to talk about the skills shortage at a time when people are losing their jobs. But the evidence is clear, in spite of the economic downturn, that the combination of our aging population and reduced fertility rates means Canada is facing an acute skills shortages.

Investing in education, at all levels, remains fundamental to our future economic prosperity. Attention has been focused on the fact that Canada ranks lower than other countries at the highest levels of skills attainment, producing fewer PhDs and graduates in sciences, business and engineering. However, the strongest determinant of our prosperity as a nation is rates of literacy.

Just more than a year ago, a report, Literacy Matters, by TD Financial Group estimated the Canadian economy could enjoy a $32-billion boost if literacy rates were improved by only one per cent.

Statistics Canada reports that more than seven million Canadian adults can barely read and comprehend simple printed materials, and more than 25 per cent of Canadian high school graduates lack the literacy skills needed for entry level jobs.



High school dropouts or graduates with minimal skills — immigrants, particularly women; people with learning disabilities; aboriginal people; and francophones — have lower than average rates. Many develop coping skills to mask their inability to read.

Often, illiteracy creates a vicious cycle of poverty and underachievement. Parents who cannot read to their children cannot help them with their homework or as easily inspire them to achieve. If you are not literate enough to use simple manuals, you probably can't use the Internet and you most certainly are not going to be part of the "new" economy. Illiteracy also carries significant social costs and is associated with poorer health and higher rates of crime.

The costs of investing in education are dwarfed by the costs of illiteracy.

Like my university colleagues, I want investments in research and in graduate programs. But we must lay a solid foundation in addressing basic skills for all Canadians. It is not simply a matter of developing the "pipeline" to higher education or of equality and social justice, it is founded on a solid business case and our prosperity depends on it.

As Literacy Matters: A Call For Action notes: "It is hard to identify any other single issue that can have such a large payoff to individuals, the economy and society than literacy."

Wendy Cukier is the associate dean of the Ted Rogers School of Management at Ryerson University, and the founder of Ryerson's Diversity Institute.

## Worth mentioning

# Dwindling fish stocks blamed on subsidies

The world's seas are filled with too much garbage and too few fish, with flimsy plastic bags and government subsidies bearing much of the blame, activists and trade officials said yesterday on the first UN World Oceans Day.

World Trade Organization director-general Pascal Lamy used the occasion to note that some species are at risk of extinction from overfishing, and government subsidies bear some of the blame.

"Governments have contributed to this problem by providing nearly $16 billion annually in subsidies to the fisheries sector," Lamy said. "This support keeps more boats on the water and fewer fish in the sea."

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Global fisheries subsidies are estimated at $20 billion or more annually, an amount equivalent to 25 per cent of the value of the world catch. Economic losses from overfishing in marine areas are $50 billion per year, according to a 2008 World Bank/FAO report.

He said WTO members are now negotiating to reform subsidies programs to make fishing a sustainable industry.

Eighty per cent of the world's fisheries are under pressure, according to the UN Food and Agriculture Organization (FAO): Overexploited, fully exploited, significantly depleted or recovering from overexploitation.

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**GM to halt medium-duty truck production**

General Motors Corp. said yesterday it would cease production of Chevrolet Kodiak and GMC Topkick medium-duty trucks by July 31 after attempts to sell the operation failed. The automaker sold about 20,000 of the vehicles last year. REUTERS

# Business

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## Business in brief

**HOUSING** Canadian housing construction bounced back in May after dropping to a 13-year low in April, according to figures released by the Canada Mortgage and Housing Corporation yesterday, with seasonally adjusted housing starts hitting 128,400 in May, up from 117,600 in the prior month.

**AVIATION** Air Canada parent ACE Aviation Holdings Inc. could inject as much as $200 million into the country's largest airline to help it avert a cash crunch, according to a source familiar with the situation. Battered by falling ticket sales amid a weak economy,

**JOBS** The U.S. job market strengthened in May for the first time in 16 months, as the Conference Board said its Employment Trends Index ticked up to 89.9 last month from an upwardly revised 89.7 in April, originally reported at 89.5.

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# Airlines fear oil cost surge

## Industry predicted to lose $9B

**Global airlines called for concerted action to prevent another runaway surge in oil prices as the International Air Transport Association nearly doubled its forecast for industry losses to $9 billion US in 2009.**

Giovanni Bisignani, the head of the Geneva-based airline lobby, yesterday lambasted "greedy speculation" in oil markets and accused governments of squandering money raised from aviation while carriers suffer from still slumping demand.

However, John Leahy, commercial director at European aircraft manufacturer Airbus, said that while 2009 would be tough, plans by United Airlines to order as many as 150 new planes from Airbus or rival Boeing Co. showed the market was starting to turn around.

IATA, the voice of more than 200 airlines, has repeatedly warned of a grim year for carriers as global recession shrinks passenger demand and weak financing drives down cargo trade.

Conditions have worsened after the outbreak of influenza A (H1N1), also known as swine flu, caused a worldwide health scare and as oil prices climb again.

Prices for jet fuel in Singapore have jumped almost 60 per cent since bottoming out at $46 a barrel in March. REUTERS

### Loads lower

- Air Canada reported yesterday a load factor of 81 per cent for last month, down from 84.3 per cent in May 2008.
- Jazz Air, Air Canada's regional affiliate, reported a load factor of 65.6 per cent in May, a drop of 6.8 points year-over-year.

## Apple halves iPhone price

**TECH** Apple Inc. halved the price of its entry-level iPhone to $99 US yesterday, kicking off a closely watched annual conference in San Francisco.

The company also unveiled the next-generation iPhone 3GS, which takes videos and has voice features, matching offerings by rivals Palm and Research in Motion's BlackBerry. It goes on sale in the United States and other countries on June 19 for $199 to $299.

Among other announcements, Apple showed off a new 15-inch notebook with improved battery life, a $300-cheaper Mac Air — its thinnest laptop — and its highly previewed "Snow Leopard" Mac operating system software.

Apple's new MacBook Air notebook now starts at $1,499. The company also unveiled a new 13-inch MacBook Pro starting at $1,199, and a 15-inch laptop with longer battery life.

Chief executive Steve Jobs did not make an appearance despite speculation he would. REUTERS

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## Your Money

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# Use your imagination, not your bank account

## This summer, learn how to have fun for next to nothing

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Hey! What happened to deflation? It was the scary economic spectre raised as the world slipped over the brink of recession last year.

With deflation, prices and wages fall — what a concept. We've had the latter but not much of the former.

Movie tickets are as high as ever — don't get me started on popcorn. Concerts and plays too. And I haven't noticed many golf courses offering discounts.

So if girls or guys just want to have fun, can you do it without running up the tab? Absolutely. In summer, antique shows and flea markets are a blast. Even kids love to wander through the ancient stuff Mum and Dad used to play with or wear. Take a picnic and you have a great day trip. Big malls often offer an antiquing week with parking and admission free.

Remember Wayne's World? Want a genuinely visceral (and free) thrill? Get in touch with an Airport Watch group and park yourself in a lawn chair near take-off and landing flight paths.

Farmer's markets are a lovely way to spend a weekend morning. You have to buy vegetables anyway, why not add value to the experience and support a local farmer at the same time?

The best people watching is in Venice Beach, Calif., but every city has at least one good spot to exercise your eyeballs. From waterfront parks to trendy shopping streets, you'll find the biggest reality show in the world.

Try an entire summer without renting a DVD. Yes, you can do it! Instead, get them free from the library. You'll uncover some gems like the BBC's witty and completely un-hip Monarch of the Glen series.

And if you want completely something off the wall, hit the local airport with folks from an Airport Watch group. Many cities have such members that park themselves with binoculars and lawn chairs in landing and take-off flight paths. It's a completely different and visceral thrill.

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**Favre told to make up his mind**

The Minnesota Vikings reportedly have told Brett Favre to decide this week if he wants to play this year. ESPN says coach Brad Childress imposed the deadline on the star quarterback. The network cited two unidentified sources yesterday on its website. METRO NEWS SERVICES

# Sports

## Nadal's knees tested

**Rafael Nadal, left, is having his knees checked by doctors and an announcement on his status for Wimbledon is expected in the coming days. Nadal's website says the reigning Wimbledon champion is undergoing medical tests yesterday and today. Nadal withdrew from this week's Wimbledon tuneup citing knee trouble.** METRO NEWS SERVICES

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# History may be repeated

Stanley Cup
2009 **Final**

**Way back when this season was new and full of possibilities, the NHL released a brilliant series of commercials with the tag line "Is this the year?"**

One featured a still picture of Sidney Crosby slumped near the Pittsburgh bench amidst a group of inconsolable Penguins, enduring the Red Wings' on-ice celebration of yet another Stanley Cup victory. Suddenly Crosby came to life, stepping out of that two-dimensional world.

"This is a tough one," said the now animated Pittsburgh captain. "Getting this close and not winning the Cup. But I know it will make our team stronger. I never want to be in this photograph again."

Well, for Crosby, there may be a retake of that crushing moment tonight.

For a second consecutive spring, the Penguins could watch the Stanley Cup presented on their home ice to the Red Wings. Detroit leads the final three games to two and is a lone victory from their fifth championship in 13 years.

The Penguins, humbled 5-0 in Game 5 at Detroit, are grasping for reasons to believe that this year's edition is indeed good enough to do what it couldn't last spring and push this series to a seventh game on Friday night.

There is the fact they won their first two games against the Wings on home ice, the belief that goaltender Marc-Andre Fleury will bounce back after a bad night, that the supporting players, the ones often absent from the scoresheet despite ample ice time, will finally step up and start producing.

"All the work it takes in a year to get here, we realize how much it takes," said Fleury. "We can't quit now." TORSTAR NEWS SERVICE

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Pittsburgh's Sidney Crosby skates at yesterday's practice in preparation for tonight's pivotal Game 6 of the Stanley Cup final.

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## Sports in brief

**GOLF** John Daly makes his return to the PGA Tour from his six-month suspension this week. His return to the U.S. Open will have to wait. Daly managed only four birdies over 36 holes in a U.S. Open qualifier yesterday and didn't come close to getting one of the 13 spots available in Tennessee.

**BLUE JAYS** Toronto Blue Jays first baseman Lyle Overbay has been named the American League Player of the Week. In six games last week, Overbay led the majors with a .533 batting average, .632 on-base percentage and 1.200 slugging percentage. Of his eight hits, two were homers and four were doubles.

**SWINE FLU** Two players were forced to sit out a top flight Australian rugby league match yesterday and at least nine others were quarantined after a player tested positive for swine flu, National Rugby League officials said. All members of the Queensland Origin team have been placed in quarantine. METRO NEWS SERVICES

# TFC's backfield delivered another blow

**SOCCER** Toronto FC's beleagured defensive corps just got more bad news.

With the right ankle of left back and team captain Jim Brennan still swollen and fellow defender Nana Attakora continuing to suffer from post-concussion symptoms, the Major League Soccer club announced yesterday that Marvell Wynne has been named to the U.S. national team playing in the Confederations Cup next week.

Wynne, who has missed the last two TFC games for World Cup qualifying, will now be lost at least two more and could be away for much of July if he's also named to the U.S. team for the Gold Cup.

"Yes, there's going to be a lot of issues at the back," midfielder Carl Robinson said of a lineup which might be missing three of the four regular defenders when TFC hosts the New York Red Bulls Saturday. "And maybe I'm waiting for that call to say will I play there."

Last Saturday, with Wynne away and Attakora out after hitting his head earlier in the week in a loss in Vancouver, Marco Velez and Kevin Harmse (usually a midfielder) started at the back. The L.A. Galaxy scored five minutes in when Velez lost track of Alan Gordon on a corner kick and the striker headed it in.

Early in the second half, Brennan was forced to come off after challenging for a ball along the sideline, coming down on the black mat running beside the pitch and rolling over on his right ankle. In the 77th minute, L.A.'s Edson Buddle was able to get in behind the defence, run onto a Gordon throughball and put in the game-winner.

Head coach Chris Cummins admits Wynne's continued loss will hurt.

"It's not until players are not there that you realize how much you miss them," Cummins said of Wynne and leading scorer, Amado Guevara, who is due back after being away with the Honduran national team.

"It (missing guys) gives other players a chance to come in and take that opportunity," he said. "Have they done that? Probably not."

But a lack of depth, almost guarantees Velez and Harmse will start at the back on Saturday. And, if Attakora again cannot play, 18-year-old Emmanuel Gomez, who debuted in the final four minutes against L.A., might get his first start. TORSTAR NEWS SERVICE

### Real Madrid ticket info

- A seat at BMO Field to see storied soccer franchise Real Madrid won't come cheap.

Toronto FC announced its ticket prices yesterday for the team's Aug. 9 match with the Spanish powerhouse, with prices ranging from $140 to $215.

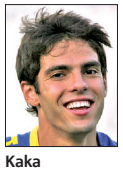
Toronto FC season seat holders have the opportunity to buy tickets as of June 15 at a slight discount, starting at $125.

Non-season seat holders can purchase tickets online beginning June 22.

It's Called Football is joined by Canadian 'keeper Pat Onstad, who, despite reports, says he has not retired from international soccer. Watch it at:
**metronews.ca /blogs**

## Real Madrid picks up AC Milan's Kaka

**SOCCER** Real Madrid have signed Brazilian midfielder Kaka from AC Milan, the Primera Liga club said on its website yesterday. The 27-year-old international has agreed to a six-year contract to become the first player to join Real since Florentino Perez returned to the presidency this month.



Kaka

Reports said the transfer fee was the equivalent of roughly $101 million, which would make the transfer the biggest since Zinedine Zidane joined Real from Juventus in 2001.

The player is on international duty with Brazil in his home country, and completed a medical earlier in the day. REUTERS

**Ortiz's eyes are fine**
David Ortiz's vision has checked out very well as the Boston Red Sox try to help him out of his season-long slump. The designated hitter received drops for dry eyes, a team spokesperson said. Ortiz has two homers and 22 RBIs with a .197 batting average in 51 games. METRO NEWS SERVICES

# Quinn itching for coaching return

LAURENCE HEINEN
for Metro Canada

**After a seven-year stint as head coach of the Toronto Maple Leafs, Pat Quinn thought about retirement.**

"I wasn't that anxious about getting back in," Quinn said of his mindset after being fired by the Leafs following a disappointing 2006 season when Toronto missed the playoffs.

Quinn, who averaged 43 wins a season during his Toronto tenure, took some time to assess his future and found himself itching to get behind the bench less than a year after being let go.

"By February, I figured, geez, I miss this," said Quinn, who was recently hired as head coach of the Edmonton Oilers. "I wasn't ready for retirement. I started to let it be known that if anybody might be interested in a good coach that I'd be willing to talk to them."

Quinn went on to coach Canada to gold medals at the 2008 world under-18 hockey championships in Kazan, Russia, and the 2009 world junior hockey championships in Ottawa.

"He's one of those coaches that just sort of stands out," said L.A. Kings prospect Thomas Hickey, Team Canada's captain in Ottawa. "He's a very high pedigree and he's very well respected so it was neat to be one of his players."

**"I figured, geez, I miss this."**
Pat Quinn

With assistance from associate coach Tom Renney, Quinn is looking forward to getting the most out of Edmonton's young talent.

"We're going to spend our next two months, three months deciding on a system of play that can help our guys be the best they can be," said the 66-year-old bench boss, who won the Jack Adams Award as the NHL's top coach in both 1980 with the Philadelphia Flyers and in 1992 with the Vancouver Canucks. "We'll find that. We'll work together and we'll see what we can do and we'll give them the best we can to have some good results at the end of the day."

JEFF VINNICK/GETTY IMAGES

After realizing he wasn't ready for retirement, Pat Quinn made it known he was ready to coach at a high level again. Now the man with a career coaching record of 657-481-154-26 in the NHL will try to turn around the Edmonton Oilers.

## Sports in brief

**SALE** English Premier League club West Ham was taken over by a government-controlled Icelandic bank yesterday. A moratorium on West Ham chairman Bjorgolfur Gudmundsson's debts was set to expire, so Straumur Burdaras Investment Bank assumed ownership of the club after having provided the finance for its 2006 takeover.

**PLEA** A defence lawyer entered pleas of not guilty on behalf of a Southern California man charged with killing Los Angeles Angels pitcher Nick Adenhart and two others in a drunken-driving crash. Defendant Andrew Thomas Gallo watched yesterday as lawyer Randall Longwith entered the pleas in Orange County Superior Court. The 22-year-old Gallo is charged with three counts of murder and other felonies in the April 9 crash.

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## Bankruptcy battle taking a toll

**HOCKEY** It has become hockey's Desert Storm: Bettman vs. Balsillie. Phoenix vs. Hamilton. Americans vs. Canadians. Non-traditional hockey market vs. heritage.

Today's bankruptcy hearing on the potential sale and relocation of the Coyotes kick-starts a process that could change the landscape of the NHL, reverberate through other major sports leagues and ultimately set a legal anti-trust precedent that might only be settled by the U.S. Supreme Court.

It's up to the lawyers today to sway bankruptcy court judge Redfield Baum of the powers he does — or doesn't — have.

If he does in fact have the power to sell the team to an owner the NHL doesn't want and move it to a city the NHL doesn't want, it's up to the same lawyers to persuade him he should — or shouldn't — use them.

The drama that began to unfold May 5, when the Coyotes filed for Chapter 11 bankruptcy protection has taken a toll on its main combatants. NHL commissioner Gary Bettman has tried to portray himself as a man of reason, just trying to follow the rules. But he has been vilified through the proceedings, portrayed as anti-Canadian, disingenuous and conspiring to keep Jim Balsillie out of the club.

Balsillie wrapped himself in the Canadian flag, launching an unprecedented public relations campaign to drum up support for a seventh team in Canada. But many in the NHL believe he's little more than a bully willing to break whatever rules he needs in order to get his way.

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## Magic facing uphill battle again

NBA
2009 **Finals**

**BASKETBALL** The Orlando Magic have defied the odds throughout the postseason and have every intention of doing it one more time in the NBA Finals.

Orlando defeated defending champions Boston and Eastern Conference favourites Cleveland during the playoffs despite lacking the coveted home-court advantage.

Trailing 2-0 in the Finals after losing their first two games away to Los Angeles, the Magic face an even tougher task to reel in the Lakers, but can breathe new life into their sagging campaign with a win in game three at home tonight.

"The bottom line is we knew we were going to have to win here in L.A. in this series, just like we had to in the Boston and Cleveland series," Magic coach Stan Van Gundy said after the Lakers beat the Magic 101-96 in overtime on Sunday.

"From a mental standpoint it was a little easier in those series because we won Game 1. Bottom line is we came here for two games and we didn't get the job done.

"Now we have to go home and have a great game three."

Only three teams have recovered from an 0-2 deficit to win the NBA Finals, but the last time was only three years ago when Miami won four straight after losing their first two to Dallas.

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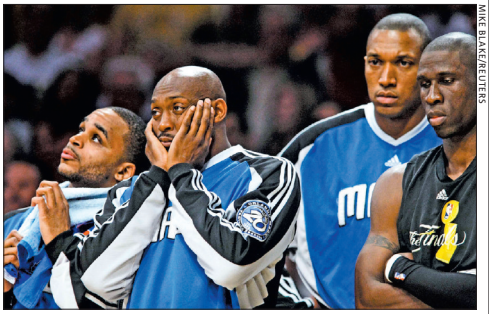
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Members of the Orlando Magic look on after losing to the Los Angeles Lakers in Game 2 of the NBA Finals on Sunday.

## Tiger enjoyed Federer's win

**CHAMPIONS** Tiger Woods enjoyed watching good friend Roger Federer finally win his first French Open title.

A few hours before Woods was scheduled to tee off in Sunday's fourth round of the Memorial tournament in Dublin, Ohio, he made time to view television coverage of Federer's emotional breakthrough in Paris.

"I was pulling for him," world No. 1 Woods told reporters after clinching his 67th PGA Tour title with a one-shot victory at the Memorial tournament.

"You know, it's fun to watch your friends go out there and play and compete."

Federer, who had lost the previous three French Open finals, crushed Robin Soderling 6-1 7-6 6-4 in Paris to complete the full set of grand slam crowns.

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# Health & Beauty

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# Anti-aging skincare: A round-up

## Wrinkle and sun-damage reducer options

JANINE FALCON
For Metro Canada

**An important thing to know about anti-aging skincare is that skin renewal takes an average of 28 days, more if you're 40-plus, and pigmentation can be particularly stubborn.**

Ditch the quick-fix idea and allow four to six weeks for something new to work. Here are anti-wrinkle, anti-sun damage and eco-friendly options to consider.

### Wrinkle Reducers

• Marcelle New-Age Anti-Wrinkle + Firming Cream stimulates collagen production and moisturizes with amino acids, shea butter, caffeine and soybean extract ($27 at Shoppers Drug Mart).

• Neutrogena Ageless Intensives Deep Wrinkle Eye Cream combats under-eye crepiness with super-hydrating hyaluronic acid and Retinol ($28 at drugstores).

• For sensitive skin, Vichy Liftactiv Retinol HA combines hyaluronic acid with Retinol and adenosine, a fast-acting molecule that has retinol-like properties of its own ($49 at drugstores).

• Olay Professional Pro-X Wrinkle Smoothing Cream offers the brand's most intense Pro-Retinol formula for results in 28 days ($55 at drugstores; also available as part of a three-step starter kit for $83).

• Neostrata Intense Daytime Wrinkle Repair SPF 15 targets deep creases with Matrixyl (a wrinkle-reducing pentapeptide) and Retinol ($68 at drugstores).

• AmorePacific, a luxury Korean botanically-based brand, packs its Contour Lift Extreme Creme with bamboo sap to hydrate, and olive, jojoba and green-tea seed oils as well as minerals and amino acids to nourish and firm ($200 at Holt Renfrew).

### Sun-Spot Reducers

• Lancôme Génifique Youth Activator Serum stimulates the production of skin proteins we have in abundance in our youth but lose as we age, and promises brighter, more even skin ($92 at Lancôme counters).

• Clinique Even Better Skin Tone Corrector boosts cell turnover with glucosamine and salicylic acid, and fades and prevents hyperpigmentation with antioxidants and mushroom-derived extracts ($39.50 at Clinique counters).

• Dermalogica ChromaWhite TRx is an anti-dark spot regimen from cleansing to night cream that employs exfoliating lactic acid, skin brightening vitamin C, and pigment inhibiting niacinamide and Oligopeptide-34 (From $50, visit dermalogica.com for salons).

### SPF

• Anti-aging skincare increases sensitivity to UVA/UVB rays and related hyperpigmentation, so diligent sunscreen habits are crucial. Clinderm Gentle Protective Lotion SPF 45 shields dry, sensitive, allergic or reactive skin with titanium dioxide and zinc oxide, and has a surprisingly light, fast-absorb texture ($29 at drugstores).

• Wrinkles or pigmentation — which do you treat? Whatever bothers you most. But note: too many anti-aging products at once, such as lactic acid cleanser plus salicylic-acid serum plus retinol cream, might work at first, but could soon cause irritation, dehydration, dryness and actually spell a-g-e-d.

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Ditch the quick-fix idea, most skincare products take four to six weeks to work — so get started now!

### Eco-Friendly Options

• Burt's Bees Naturally Ageless Intensive Repairing Serum is a 100 per cent natural formula that fights fine lines and wrinkles with botanical oils and extracts, including pomegranate ($29.99 at Shoppers Drug Mart).

• Jouviance EcoRejuvenation Eye Serum reduces dark circles and wrinkles with caffeine-rich pro-collagen peptides and is free of silicones, artificial fragrance, parabens and colourants ($40 at drugstores).

• All-natural Glisodin Skin Nutrients Advanced Daily Formula supplements soften, smooth and brighten skin with a mix of nutrient-dense antioxidant ingredients, including superoxide dismutase (two-month supply, $95; glisodinskin.com for retailers).

## What to buy

AmorePacific Contour Lift Extreme, $200.

Burt's Bees Naturally Ageless Intensive Repairing Serum, $29.99.

Clinderm Gentle Protective Lotion SPF 45, $29.

Marcelle New-Age Anti-Wrinkle + Firming Cream, $27.

Dermalogica ChromaWhite TRx Pure Light SPF 30 Day Cream, $78.

GliSODin Skin Nutrients Daily Formula, $95.

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# Sea-inspired makeup collections

## Eye-catching blues, greens and silvers make waves in beauty this summer

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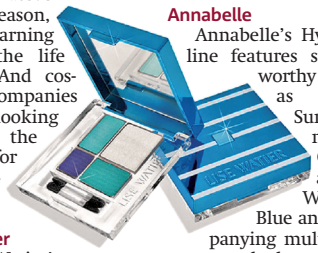
**Call it the Summer of the Mermaid. Glimmering aqua eyes, silver nails and soft mouths are all the rage this season.**

Maybe it's because we've emerged from the longest winter in recent memory. Or maybe it's the fact that Disney's Ariel turns 20 this year. Whatever the reason, we're yearning to live the life aquatic. And cosmetics companies are looking below the waves for inspiration.



Lise Watier Sea Belle Quartet in Lagoon, $35.

### Lise Watier

Lise Watier's Sea Belle, a cute play-on-words (si belle translates to so beautiful in French), is a dramatic collection of saltwater-inspired hues. The main event is their Sea Belle eyeshadow quartet in Lagoon. The colours go on like satin and are housed in an eye-catching metallic blue compact. Métal Liner in Deep Ocean is a rich royal blue that goes on easily, stays put and has a subtly sparkly finish. Eye Glitter Liner in Cybermint is a liquid liner with green and blue sparkles; it's a little high school play for daily use, but if you're searching for a dramatic look for a big night out, dive in!

### Annabelle

Annabelle's Hydropolis line features such seaworthy eyeliners as Atomic Surf, Mermaid, Sea Green and Wahine Blue and accompanying multi-striped eyeshadows in combos like Water Lily and Aquatech. Make your eyes the main attraction by toning down your mouth. Annabelle's Le Gloss Stick in Bikini Beige is a subtle and pretty neutral.

### Marcelle

Marcelle's Aquatik line features three different shades of highly-pigmented Aquatik Dome Eye Shadows

Annabelle Multi-stripes Eyeshadow in Aquatech, $10.95

(Tropik, Pink Star and Aquamarine), a cleverly packaged product with a marbled look that allows the user to customize the intensity and hue. The three-in-one Retractable Eyeliner in Chrome is an eye-brightening metallic with a built-in smudge sponge and sharpener. Depending on how much you choose to smudge, you can either make yourself into a bewitching sea nymph or a sexy other-worldly fembot.

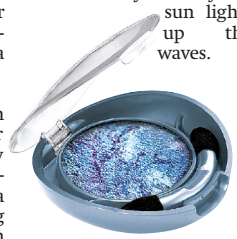
### OPI

The celebrated nailpolish manufacturer's summer collection is a must for any bathing beauty! The Mermaid in the Shade line is a grouping of shimmering blues and whites that go on ultra-sheer, but gain intensity and drama after three or four coats. The collection is made up of Lagoon A Beach, Underwater, Just a Fairytale, Water Baby, Blue Grotto and Mermaid To Order, which is an irresistible deep-green with a high gloss finish that reminds us of mermaid tails.

Lise Watier Métal Liner in Deep Ocean, $18.

### Kenzo

If you're going to look like a mermaid, you should probably smell the part. Kenzo's newest fragrance is L'AU PAR KENZO Eau Indigo. The fresh yet mysterious floral comes in a bottle inspired by the way the sun lights up the waves.


Marcelle Aquatik Dome Eye Shadow in Aquamarine, $10.95

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Dive into a dramatic look this season with metallic blues, silvers and greens.

Annabelle Smudgeliner in Sea Green, $8.50.

## Diet may boost men's fertility

**RESEARCH** Men who eat healthier diets may also have healthier sperm, according to new research from Spain.

"A healthy, well-balanced diet is not just important for preventing diseases like diabetes, high cholesterol, or hypertension, but it may be useful for preserving or improving your reproductive health too," Dr. Jaime Mendiola, of the University of Murcia, said.

Mendiola and his team compared the nutrient content of the diets of 30 men with poor semen quality and 31 men with normal sperm. All were attending fertility clinics.

The men with poor semen quality had low sperm counts and relatively high percentages of abnormally formed sperm. All of the men provided at least two semen samples.

Low levels of antioxidant nutrients in the diet "seem to have a negative effect on semen quality," Mendiola and his team said. REUTERS

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# Genetic sexual attraction

## Opening of Ontario adoption records may cause psychological effects

Imagine, at age 42, finally meeting the son you gave up for adoption at age 16 and finding yourself sexually attracted to him.

Yes, disturbing. But Genetic Sexual Attraction (GSA), that is, being sexually attracted to a biological relative you've never met because you were separated through adoption, is more common than you might think.

Given that on June 1, Ontario became the fifth province to open its adoption records — making it easier for adopted adults and birth parents to find each other — some feel there is a need for greater education and support surrounding GSA.

Little has been studied about GSA but one study out of England concluded that sexual attraction was a normal response when blood relatives met as strangers. The study's participants described emotionally charged meetings and the shock of familiarity as they noticed the same interests, traits and mannerisms in their relative. Many described it as feeling like they were looking into a mirror.

Barbara Gonyo, the woman referred to in the opening of this column and author of I'm His Mother, But He's Not My Son (geneticsexualattraction.com), believes there is a natural curiosity and need to know your birth relatives and what traits you share. "When contact is made, these emotions come to a head along with a need for the intimacy removed by the separation."

And because there isn't the sexual taboo that usually develops within a family that grows up together, the intensity of these feelings often become sexualized.

By being educated about GSA, says Gonyo, the birth relative and the adoptee might be able to handle any potential sexual feelings and avoid acting on them until they subside and the relationship eventually normalizes.

In some cases, if they have acted on them, educating themselves about GSA can help deal with the psychological effects of this and allow a healthy non-sexual relationship to develop.

Gonyo is happy to hear that Ontario is opening its adoption records, in part because she feels that the secrecy surrounding adoption contributes to the stigma people suffer when they experience GSA. "If all adoptions become open from the beginning and having an adoptive family while still knowing your birth family is a given, then it all becomes more normal."

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## Men need their sleep, says study

**BLOOD PRESSURE** Middle-aged adults who get too little sleep are more likely to develop high blood pressure, U.S. researchers said on Monday.

The study, among the first to directly measure sleep duration in middle-aged adults, found missing an average one hour of sleep over five years raised the risk of developing high blood pressure by 37 per cent.

It also suggests that poor sleep may explain in part why black men have higher blood pressure risks. "People who didn't sleep as much were at greater risk of developing hypertension over five years," Kristen Knutson of the University of Chicago reported in the Archives of Internal Medicine.

Adults typically need between seven and nine hours of sleep, according to the U.S. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, but many get far less, and several studies have begun to show the health consequences. The team studied 578 adults with an average age of 40.

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# ‘Lift’ your way to youth

## Running and resistance training can reverse aging signs

CELIA MILNE
for Metro Canada

**It is never too late to start exercising.**

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“It is always best to start early,” says Dr. Mark Tarnopolsky, director of the neuromuscular and neurometabolic units at McMaster University Medical Centre in Hamilton, “but it is important that in our studies we also see major benefits in previously inactive older adults who complete four or six months of weight training.”

Tarnopolsky and colleagues have been studying what actually happens inside the body when people exercise. They have found quite a few benefits at the molecular level: Reduced fat in the body, increased muscle mass and decreased cell damage from aging. These effects occur even in 90-year-olds.

ISTOCKPHOTO

Resistance exercise improves some of the biomarkers of aging, which are substances in the blood that signal disease or decay.

Exercising makes a difference in the way our genes act. The McMaster research shows that 579 genes in muscles start acting differently as we age.

In one of Tarnopolsky’s studies, 33 per cent of these genes went back to normal in people who did six months of weight training twice a week.

“We have also shown that resistance exercise improves some of the biomarkers of aging,” says Tarnopolsky. Biomakers are substances in the blood which signal disease or decay.

Running also seems to help people fight the effects of aging. A study conducted in northern California by researchers at Stanford University found that runners live longer than non-runners.

This study followed almost 1,000 people — about half were members of a running club and the other half were non-runners — for more than 20 years. All the participants were over 50 when the study started in 1984. After 19 years, only 15 per cent of runners had died, versus 34 per cent of non-runners.

This difference in survival rates continued to broaden as time went on. At 21 years, runners had a 50 per cent lower risk of death than non-runners.

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“Blue light is proven to battle blemishes by eradicating the bacteria associated with acne,” Brown said.

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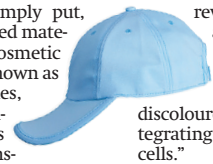

Above: Yelomod women’s long sleeve sport, designed for skin rejuvination ($115). Below: Blumod baseball cap designed for blemished skin ($58). Both available at sunsoul.com.

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Quite simply, most people are unable to remove all of the plaque that can build-up on their teeth, even if they are using the best electric toothbrush and impeccable flossing technique. A professional cleaning at your dentist office is significantly different as it employs specific tools and instruments that can access crevices and other spaces on your teeth that brushes and floss struggle to reach.

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Removing plaque is essential to combat tooth decay. Plaque is that basic component that will combine with some of the foods that you eat to develop the acids that lead to tooth decay. Without plaque, your teeth stand a much better chance of maintaining their health.

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**Bret Michaels injured at Tony Awards**

Bret Michaels was slightly injured during an opening number at Sunday night's 63rd annual Tony Awards. During the musical number the reality star was knocked to the ground after running into a piece of scenery. USMAGAZINE.COM

# Entertainment

**Idol signed**

Kris Allen has hit another high note: The American Idol champ, 23, has signed a record deal. His debut album, licensed to Jive Records, will drop this fall.

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# Energy and attitude

## Producer Bob Rock helps Offspring mash metal, punk

Metallica and Mötley Crüe producer Bob Rock helped The Offspring put together 2008's Rise and Fall, Rage and Grace.

ROB MCMAHON
for Metro Canada

**Despite his nickname, The Offspring's guitarist Kevin "Noodles" Wasserman says he's no riff-shredding headbanger.**

Reached a couple days before the start of the band's tour to support last year's Rise and Fall, Rage and Grace, Wasserman said the band's connection to famed Metallica and Mötley Crüe producer (and Canadian) Bob Rock wasn't because they always hoped to work with the man who helped craft those epic guitar sounds.

In fact, Wasserman's introduction to the genre came by accident, via a cover song.

"None of us were into metal early on. I always loved Paranoid by Black Sabbath — that was one of the few (metal songs) I got into," he said. "But I always thought that it was a Dickies song, at least until I played the record for some friends and they said it was Black Sabbath."

Despite Wasserman's denials, the guitar intros to Hammerhead or A Lot Like Me sound less like those Southern California punk legends than Rock-produced Metallica. When pushed, he did say that the better he gets at guitar, the more he appreciates the fretwork of players like Van Halen, and AC/DC's three-chord assault — an influence that can be heard in much of The Offspring catalogue, which has long merged punk energy and attitude with metal's heavy riffs.

"None of us are really metalheads, but we do appreciate bits and pieces of it," said Wasserman. "Metallica is a great band ... and the guitar playing on the Black Album is great, in terms of in your face shredding. (But) I like a good song first, and a good shred second — no excessive shredding."

Returning to the Dickies-Metallica dichotomy, The Offspring do focus their lyrical content more on So-Cal punk. Despite pushing their fourth decade on earth, the band members continues writing songs about — and aimed at — the youth audience. Asked what it is about the youngsters that so inspires the Offspring, Wasserman said it's because that's who their peers are.

"We've never had to get a real job, and for the last 14 years we've been able to tour the country, drink beer and have fun," he said. (A young audience) isn't something we think about in terms of targeting our songs, it's just who we are, and what we watch on TV. We grew up listening to that kind of music, and that feeling in music, so we keep coming back to it."

# Thai police will know how Carradine died in a month

**Thai police said yesterday the cause of U.S. actor David Carradine's death in a Bangkok hotel room would not be known until they had the results of the autopsy and toxicology tests in a month's time.**

GETTY IMAGES

David Carradine, the star of 1970s show Kung Fu and the Kill Bill films, was found dead in a Bangkok hotel room last week.

Police refused to give further details about their investigation into the 72-year-old actor's mysterious death, amid intense media speculation about causes ranging from suicide to murder via accidental autoerotic asphyxiation.

"We are still investigating but we will not make any assumptions about his death until we have gathered all the facts," the deputy Bangkok police chief, Lieutenant-General Amnoy Nimmino, told a news conference.

"We have to wait for the toxicology reports, the result of the autopsy and forensic evidence. We will know everything in one month."

Carradine, the star of U.S. 1970s show Kung Fu, was filming the movie Stretch in the Thai capital when a maid found him dead in his suite at the plush Swissotel Nai Lert Park on June 4.

The police also refused to confirm the authenticity of a grainy photo published by a tabloid-style Thai newspaper, which said it was of Carradine's naked, hanging body.

Carradine's family said it was "profoundly disturbed" by the photo, printed Saturday in the Thai Rath newspaper, and threatened legal action, the actor's brother, Keith Carradine, said in a statement issued by lawyer Mark Geragos.

"The family wants it understood that ... any persons, publications or media outlets will be fully prosecuted for invasion of privacy and causing severe emotional distress if the photos are published," the statement said.

Thai Rath, the country's top-selling newspaper, is known for lively coverage of crime and celebrities. It did not give a source for the photograph and the face could not been seen.

"I cannot say anything about this photograph," said Amnoy. "The media were not present at the crime scene and this picture was not leaked by the police." REUTERS

**More Saw on the way**
Tobin Bell, Saw's now deceased Jigsaw, has confirmed that the trap-happy franchise will continue until at least part eight, as long as the audience remains faithful. "I look forward to filling out the other pieces of the puzzle," he says on horror site Bloody Disgusting. EMPIREONLINE.COM

# Back in Black

## Lautner bites into New Moon role

TALIA SOGHOMONIAN
Metro World News

**For a while, there were rumours the Twilight character of Jacob Black would be recast for New Moon, but actor Taylor Lautner is back in the role. It's a juicier one this time, with more for the actor to get his teeth into. Not only does his relationship with Bella — played by Kristen Stewart — develop, but Lautner also went through an impressive physical transformation.**

**Q How's it back being on set?**

**A** It's good. I'm really excited to be back with the whole team again and our new director, Chris Weitz. It's been a lot of fun so far and the movie's looking great, so I couldn't ask for more.

**Q And you have a huge role this time.**

**A** It's a little bit bigger, yeah! It's exciting because I'm excited to bring alive the new Jacob Black for the fans.

**Q You look like an '80s rock star with your long hair.**

**A** Sometimes I look in the mirror and I don't recognize myself. It's an actual wig. It's glued to my head in the front and it gets itchy sometimes. You can see the lace if you look close, but it doesn't come across on camera. It gives me a totally different look. I don't even look like myself.

**Q The biggest change is in your body ... you gained 30 pounds of muscle for this role.**

**A** I did, yeah. When I was filming Twilight, I knew where my character was going in the rest of the series, so obviously I knew I had some work ahead of me! So as soon as I stopped filming Twilight, I got back home, hit the gym and worked very, very hard, and here I am filming New Moon, 30 pounds heavier.

**Q And doing your own stunts.**

**A** So far. Let's not jinx it, but basically you get an evaluation at the beginning of filming. They took me to a gymnasium to see what I could do. They put me on some dirt bikes to see how well I can do. I think they're just figuring out how much they're actually going to allow me to do. So far, I've been able to do everything, so I'm hoping that doesn't change too much cause the stunts are a lot of fun.

**Q Let's get to your character, Jacob. He is actually in love with Bella...**

**A** Jacob's love for Bella is really intense. He will always be there for Bella, no matter what. Even if she's with another guy ... or a vampire!

**Q How did you prepare for your role?**

**A** I did a lot of study for the first film. Before I even started filming Twilight, I studied up on all of the Quileute tribes and legends and myths and everything about them. And when we got up to Portland, Ore., to film, I was able to meet with about 10 Quileute tribal members. I got to talk to them and what I really learned is that they're not much different than me, and that was very unexpected.

**Q Do you ever discuss Jacob with (Twilight series author) Stephenie Meyer?**

**A** It's really cool because she comes up here every once in a while for her favorite scenes. At the beginning of filming, she gives a list of her favorite scenes that she wants to be up here for. You got the best person in the world to ask for advice. So if you have a question, you can just walk on over and ask her.

**Q What's your most exciting scene in New Moon?**

**A** It's so hard to choose. Like I said, I really enjoy the stunts so I had a lot of fun doing the dirt bike sequences. I got to hop on the bike and go really fast and come to a skidding stop. It's really cool. And I also like a lot of the more serious scenes, the pivotal scenes in the movie, like Jacob and Bella's breakup scene, which is the first time Bella sees Jacob after he has transformed into a wolf. And it's really emotional. I felt bad for Jacob just reading the books, but now that I'm actually living this character, I feel so bad for the guy! It's really sad.

Taylor Lautner plays Jacob Black in Twilight sequel New Moon, currently in production.

### More New Moon

- For more on Metro's interview with Taylor Lautner, visit metronews.ca/entertainment
- Pick up tomorrow's issue of Metro for an interview with New Moon director Chris Weitz.

## Heroes star Oka lands film deal

**PROJECT** DreamWorks has picked up The Defenders, a family adventure project conceived by Heroes actor Masi Oka.

D.J. Caruso is in negotiations to direct, and Gary Whitta is on board to write the script. to be produced by Alex Kurtzman and Roberto Orci.

The story centres on a group of mostly teenagers from around the world who are involved in a multiplayer video game, each unaware of who the others are behind the cover of their consoles and avatars. They are forced to come together for a real adventure, becoming inadvertent heroes in the process.

DreamWorks will develop a video game as well as the feature. REUTERS

## Gyllenhaal, Hathaway in Love

**FILM** Jake Gyllenhaal and Anne Hathaway, who played a doomed husband and wife in Brokeback Mountain, are in negotiations to reunite for Love and Other Drugs.

Ed Zwick (Defiance) is directing the Fox 2000/New Regency project (formerly titled Pharma), which Charles Randolph (The Interpreter) adapted from Jamie Reidy's nonfiction book Hard Sell: The Evolution of a Viagra Salesman.

Reidy was a drug rep for Pfizer in the late 1990s whose memoir shone a light on the practices of the pharmaceutical industry. Gyllenhaal will play the salesman, who begins a relationship with a woman who has Parkinson's disease (Hathaway) while on one of his sales calls. Their love story plays out in the political and social context of the time.

Hathaway has Alice in Wonderland moving toward a March release and Get Smart 2 scheduled to film in May, with co-star Steve Carell working on the script. REUTERS

Jake Gyllenhaal and Anne Hathaway, who co-starred in Brokeback Mountain, will reunite for Love and Other Drugs.

**Terminator Salvation claims global box office**

Terminator Salvation broadened its international presence over the weekend and claimed the No. 1 spot at the overseas box office, while the previous week's champ, Night at the Museum: Battle of the Smithsonian, slipped to second place. METRO NEWS SERVICES

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## DVD picks

### Gran Torino

**Director: Clint Eastwood**

**THE DURABLE** Clint Eastwood transforms a stereotypical racist into a fully realized character in what many people think should have been called Dirty Harry VI. It's a thoughtful work that continues the actor/director's late-career surge.

In truth, it's more in line with Unforgiven, the understated 1992 western that won Eastwood Oscars for Best Picture and Best Director. There's a similar theme of reconciling past deeds and paying the toll that violence exacts, along with a shared economy of lensing and dialogue.

Eastwood seems to be channeling Archie Bunker in his depiction of Walt Kowalski, a widowed Korean War vet and retired Ford factory worker in suburban Detroit whose grim outlook on life has suddenly become a lot greyer. His family and neighbours won't get out of his face and off his lawn.

Walt isn't looking for redemption. He just wants to sit on his porch, smoke his cigarettes and drink can after can of beer. But he keeps getting dragged into neighbourhood drama when a gang of hoodlums starts bullying the youngest of his new next-door neighbors — and that's where the Dirty Harry analogies really make sense.

The outcome of Gran Torino upends expectations, yet it makes perfect sense and turns the film into a parable for modern times. No tumbleweeds roll down Walt Kowalski's street, but this is every inch a western set on concrete plains.

The extras are as lean as Eastwood, the highlights being featurettes that celebrate the Gran Torino car and Clint's love of Detroit metal.

### Woodstock: 40th Anniversary Edition

**Director: Michael Wadleigh**

**THIS "40TH** Anniversary Ultimate Collector's Edition," costs $80 list for the preferred Blu-ray box, more than three times the $24 tab to actually attend all three days of the Woodstock Festival in 1969. That's inflation for you, man, and you could downshift to regular DVD for $65 list.

But it's a small price to pay for such artfully conjured grooviness: a digitally upgraded director's cut (nearly four hours long), plus hours of documentary extras and amusing geekabilia: an iron-on Woodstock patch, a shimmering paper weight and reproductions of the admission ticket (you just crashed the gates, right?) plus handwritten love notes (no email or Twitter in '69, kids).

Fire up the bong and clear your weekend.

### Nightwatching

**Director: Peter Greenaway**

**THE PHRASE** The phrase "exasperating elegance" comes to mind in assessing Peter Greenaway's latest flight of fancy.

The Welsh auteur is in his element in bringing Rembrandt's famed The Night Watch to dramatic life, taking a leaf from author Dan Brown's profitable fascination with the artwork of Leonard Da Vinci. More art director than film director, Greenaway puts visuals ahead of narratives at all times. TORSTAR NEWS SERVICE

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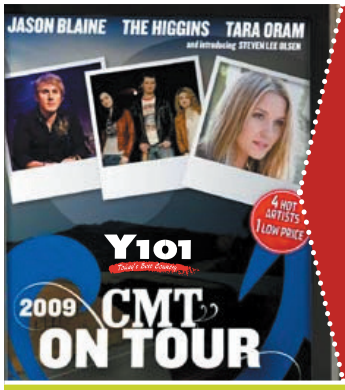


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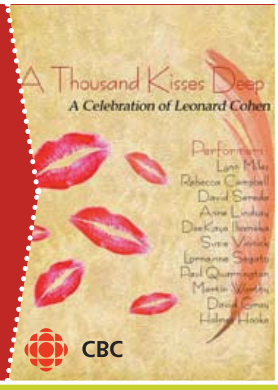


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# Billy Elliot tops Tonys

**Billy Elliot The Musical swept the top U.S. theater honours Sunday, winning 10 Tony Awards for a Broadway season that defied a recession with record ticket sales.**

Billy Elliot is based on Oscar-nominated director Stephen Daldry's 2000 film about a ballet-dancing schoolboy in a mining town in northern England. Elton John, who suggested the film be adapted for theater, wrote the music for the production.

"We came here at a hard time economically, you opened your wallets and your hearts to us and we love you for it," said John, one of Britain's best-known musicians, whose hit songs include Candle in the Wind and Rocket Man.

Billy Elliot was named best musical, and the three teenage actors who play the title role — Canadian David Alvarez, Trent Kowalik and Kiril Kulish — were all named best actor in a musical, the first time three actors have shared the award.

"We want to say to all the kids out there who might want to dance, never give up," Kulish said.

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David Alvarez, Kiril Kulish and Trent Kowalik pose with the award for best performance by a leading actor in a musical for Billy Elliot, The Musical during the 63rd Annual Tony Awards Sunday.

Daldry, who won best musical director, said the boys were "three great gifts of Broadway" and that he was "blessed in the past 10 years of my life to be working on Billy Elliot.' The show has also played in Britain and Australia.

Gregory Jbara won best featured actor in a musical for his role as Billy's father and the show also won best book of a musical and scenic, lighting, sound and choreography awards. It tied with Next to Normal for best orchestration.

Alice Ripley was named best actress in a musical for her role as a bipolar suburban housewife in Next to Normal, which also picked up best original score, beating nominees including Elton John and Lee Hall for Billy Elliot and Dolly Parton for 9 to 5: The Musical.

Billy Elliot had matched the record number of Tony Award nominations set by The Producers in 2001, picking up 15 nods. The Producers went on to win a record 12 awards.

Hair, the new production of the groundbreaking 1960s musical, won the Tony for best revival of a musical.

God of Carnage — with an all-star cast of Sopranos star James Gandolfini, Marcia Gay Harden, Hope Davis and Jeff Daniels — picked up the most awards for a play, winning best play, director of a play, and best actress for Harden.

God of Carnage director Matthew Warchus beat himself — he was also nominated for best director for The Norman Conquests, a trilogy of comedies that came to Broadway from a sold-out run in London, which won the Tony best play revival. REUTERS

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## Slumdog composer makes Retreat

**MUSIC** Composer and musician A.R. Rahman, who picked up two Oscars for Slumdog Millionaire, is working on his first score for an American film.

Rahman will compose the score for the comedy Couples Retreat. The movie stars Vince Vaughn, Jason Bateman, Jon Favreau, Malin Akerman and Kristen Bell. It's based on a story idea of Vaughn's about four couples who embark on a journey to a tropical island resort.

## Entourage adds three to guest list

**CASTING** The Hollywood-centric HBO comedy Entourage has signed Matt Letscher, William Fichtner and Scott Caan for multi-episode guest roles on the series' upcoming sixth season. REUTERS

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## critics'corner

**Neil Young: Heart of Gold**
Director Jonathan Demme follows Mr. Young as he performs at the Ryman Auditorium in Nashville, Tenn., as well as getting people's takes on the musician. Those cropping up on camera include Emmylou Harris, Anthony Crawford and Diana DeWitt. 9 PM on 40 BVO

**NCIS**
Gibbs (Mark Harmon) and his team are forced reluctantly to put their trust in some very questionable persons in order to stop a criminal who is determined to steal important government secrets. Michael Weatherly, David McCallum, Pauley Perrette and Sean Murray also star in "Dagger." 8 PM on 13 CBS 3 GTV

**Style by Jury**
Lots of youngsters dream of running away to join the circus. In this new episode, you'll meet someone who did leave home as a teen to follow the big top. Now a single mom, she's found that the circus life has taken a toll on her appearance. Enter host Bruce Turner and his team of experts to help her look and feel beautiful again. 9:30 PM on 62 W

**Neil's new roles**

Fresh from his stint as host of The Tonys, Neil Patrick Harris nabbed starring roles in two upcoming flicks. He will take a lead role in Josh Shelov's The Best And The Brightest and in Beastly, the modern-day update of Beauty and The Beast. EMPIREONLINE.COM

## Celebrity Buzz

# Lindsay lashes out at doctor

**SMACKDOWN** Lindsay Lohan has blasted a celebrity doctor for claiming she is not sober, femalefirst.co.uk reports.

Dr. Drew Pinsky — who hosts the TV show Celebrity Rehab with Dr. Drew — claimed in an interview Lohan will not resolve her personal issues until she hurts herself, prompting the actress to question his ethics.

She wrote on Twitter: "I thought REAL doctors talked to patients in offices behind closed doors. Am I wrong? Hmmmmm. I think NOT. Yay! (sic)"

Pinsky hinted Lohan — who has completed three stints in rehab and pleaded guilty to cocaine use and no contest to driving under the influence in 2007 — is still abusing substances, adding she has yet to "embrace" cleaning up her life.

He told Parade magazine: "I'm convinced that she'll get sober one day. But I'm afraid that between now and then, she may get a nearly mortal wound of some type. I'm really convinced that something horrible is going to have to happen to her before she really gets over it and embraces sobriety."

This is not the first time Pinsky has enraged a celebrity. Last year, he was forced to apologize to Tom Cruise when he publicly declared the actor must have emotional problems to be involved in the Scientology religion.

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# Demi's creepy dolls

**SECRET OBSESSION** Ashton Kutcher is scared of his wife Demi Moore's doll collection, femalefirst.co.uk reports.

The star says the actress' hoard of 3,000 life-like figurines disturbs him and he is begging her to open a museum so he can get them out of their home.

Writing on Twitter, Ashton said: "Spent the day going through wifey's insane doll collection — 3,000 contemporary art dolls all staring at you. I'm gonna have nightmares."

He then added some pictures of the creepy collection and put captions underneath the photos, with one saying: "Hello Ashton, I'm watching you."

"I'm trying to convince the wife to open a doll museum. She also has thousands of Barbies and G.I. Joes."

Moore started collecting them when she was married to Bruce Willis and recently insured the collection for $2 million US.

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## Say no to breast implants: Denise

**YOUTHFUL REGRETS** After having three surgeries since the age of 19 to enhance her breasts, Denise Richards can safely say she doesn't recommend it.

"I was 19, and my roommate had the best boobs ever, and she had just had hers done," Richards told Howard Stern on his satellite radio show. "I was as flat as a board, and I thought, 'Whoa, you can just buy them,' and stupidly had them done."

She followed that with another enlargement and then a reduction. "I was young and should have researched better. You know, it was a big mistake. Young girls, don't do it!"

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# Recession hits Jon and Kate?

**REAL ESTATE WOES** Are Jon and Kate Gosselin victims of the nation's poor housing market? According to records, their old home in Elizabethtown, Pa., has been on the market for 89 days and counting, people.com reports.

The price for the five-bedroom 2½-bath house has stayed constant at $325,000 US. (They paid $280,000 for it in 2006.)

Though the home is in a family-friendly area, it wasn't always a peaceful place: Former neighbours say that fans often drove by to gawk at the house.

"Fans were dangerous, fans were always coming right up to their house," says Marilyn Soutner, 49, who lived next door. "I'd stand outside with my phone staring at the door like I was calling the police ... It was making it a very, very dangerous neighbourhood. You don't know who (was) in those cars."

Then one day, "Someone flattened the tires to their black van, and that night they were gone," adds Soutner.

Last fall, the Gosselins moved into a $1.1-million, 6,000-square-foot home in Wernersville, Pa. The 24-acre property is fenced in and has a metal gate at the end of the driveway, a half-mile from the front door. Still, that hasn't stopped paparazzi from hanging out down the road waiting for a glimpse of the family.

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# Brangie to marry?

**FINALLY** It looks like all the rumours of trouble between Brad Pitt and Angelina Jolie have convinced the pair to finally tie the knot, according to the Daily Mirror.

"Usually it's Brad who wants to talk marriage. But this time it was Angie," a source tells the newspaper. "An aide sent them all the press clippings about their 'relationship problems' and Angelina said it was probably best if they married to put an end to the stories. Brad's face lit up — he was thrilled."

According to sources, the wedding could take place by the end of the summer, once their current filming obligations are taken care of.

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# Madonna tries to adopt again?

**IF AT FIRST YOU DON'T SUCCEED** Since Madonna's chances of adopting another child from Malawi aren't looking good, the singer has reportedly set her sights on Nigeria instead.

"She's looking at adoption centres in Nigeria and has got another female friend to make an initial approach to test the waters," a source tells the News of the World.

The source adds Madonna suspects dating 22-year-old Jesus Luz may have had something to do with her bid failing. "She blamed the fact that her relationship with Jesus made her look like she was going through some mid-life crisis."

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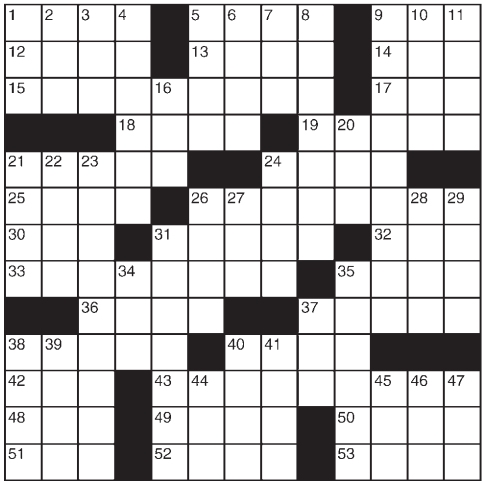

## Crossword across

1 Out of the storm
5 "Little Women" woman
9 Silent
12 Lion's share
13 Turkish title
14 "SNL" alum Gasteyer
15 Janitor's gadget
17 Feminine side
18 Charged bits
19 Impressively high
21 "Saturday Night Fever" venue
24 Repast
25 Some deer
26 Online talk site
30 $ dispenser
31 Actress Jessica et al.
32 Path
33 Post-WW II birthrate increase
35 Nuisance
36 After all?
37 Country star Brooks
38 Memorable mission
40 "— she blows!"
42 Crib
43 truTV's "Open Court" anchor
48 Fond du —, Wis.
49 Lab vessel
50 Met melody
51 Before
52 Hibernia
53 Shrill bark

## Crossword down

1 Pump up the volume
2 Dobbs of CNN
3 Curvy character
4 Morals
5 Farm building
6 Hollywood clashers
7 Yet, in verse
8 Villages
9 Carrier of 1620
10 One
11 Much more than one
16 Greet the villain
20 Rowing need
21 Colourless
22 Teeny bit
23 Modicum
24 Sir counterpart
26 Coagulate
27 Showtime rival
28 Tobacco oven
29 Legend
31 Exculpate
34 Sweet potato
35 Bet the previous winnings
37 Chatter away
38 Competent
39 Storyteller
40 Despot
41 Robust
44 Grandson, maybe
45 Raw rock
46 Lubricant
47 Chart

## Sudoku

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**HOW TO PLAY:** Digits 1 through 9 will appear once in each zone – one zone is an outlined 3x3 grid within the larger puzzle grid. There are nine zones in the puzzle. Do not enter a digit into a box if it already appears elsewhere in the same zone, row across or column down the entire puzzle.

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**PREVIOUS DAY'S CROSSWORD AND SUDOKU ANSWERS:**

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13-17 min.....Scholar
17-21 min .....Smart
21-25 min.....Not bad
25+ min.....Keep practising

## Metro Recipe of the Day

### Oriental Lamb Medallions

**INGREDIENTS:**

1/2 in. (1 cm) piece fresh ginger
1/4 lb (125 g) broccoli florets
1/4 lb (125 g) leeks
1 bunch of watercress
1/4 lb (125 g) snow peas
1/4 lb (125 g) baby corn
1 lb (450g) lamb fillet, or 8 noisettes of lamb
1–2 (15–25 ml) tbsp olive oil
Salt and black pepper
2 tbsp (25 ml) peanut oil
3 tbsp (45 ml) lamb or chicken stock
1–2 tbsp (15–25 ml) light soy sauce

**METHOD:**

1. Peel and chop ginger and set aside. Rinse vegetables. Cut broccoli into slices and leek into matchstick-thin strips. Chop watercress, top and tail snow peas, leave baby corn whole. Set all aside.
2. If using lamb fillet, cut into eight 1 in. (2.5 cm) thick medallions. Brush medallions, or noisettes, with olive oil and season with salt and pepper.
3. Warm frying pan over moderate heat, add lamb and dry-fry 2 minutes, or until browned underneath. Turn and fry for 3–4 minutes until cooked but slightly pink in the centre. Cover pan and keep warm.
4. Meanwhile, heat peanut oil in wok or large frying pan. Add ginger and vegetables and stir-fry 3–4 minutes, until just tender.
5. Add stock and soy sauce to vegetables and season to taste, then cover and cook 2 minutes, stirring occasionally.
6. Lay two lamb medallions on each plate and spoon vegetables over and alongside.

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## Horoscopes by Sally Brompton

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**ARIES** ♈
MARCH 21-APRIL 20
Oh no, not another upheaval. What happens next may seem like bad news but you will see that this particular cloud has a magnificent silver lining.

**TAURUS** ♉
APRIL 21-MAY 21
You will find yourself at odds with the status quo today and that's no bad thing. Question the accepted wisdom. You're making change happen.

**GEMINI** ♊
MAY 22-JUNE 21
The Sun in your sign won't let you keep a low profile, so quit trying to hide. Stand up where you can be seen and speak out about what you believe.

**CANCER** ♋
JUNE 22-JULY 22
If you need a break — and you do — start making plans now. There's cosmic activity in the area of your chart that governs rest and relaxation.

**LEO** ♌
JULY 23-AUG 23
Don't worry if others think you are being unsociable. There are times when you want nothing more than to be left alone with your thoughts.

**VIRGO** ♍
AUG 24-SEPT 22
With Mercury, your ruler and planet of communication, strong in your chart today you will find it easy to put your thoughts into words.

**LIBRA** ♎
SEPT 23-OCT 23
Someone seems determined to poke their nose into your affairs — and you must be just as determined not to let them know what you are up to.

**SCORPIO** ♏
OCT 24-NOV 22
Any doubts you may have about a creative activity of some kind will be gone by the end of the day. Anything is possible for you now.

**SAGITTARIUS** ♐
NOV 23-DEC 21
If you have been hitting the town with your friends these past few days, you should now spend some quality time with your nearest and dearest.

**CAPRICORN** ♑
DEC 22-JAN 20
Obviously you need to do something to remind those around you that you are not the sort who can be taken for granted. Give it some thought.

**AQUARIUS** ♒
JAN 21-FEB 18
Today's Mercury-Uranus link-up will help you dream up new ways to make money but Neptune, planet of illusion, is advising caution. Get advice first.

**PISCES** ♓
FEB 19-MARCH 20
If you let your intuition guide you today you will have a lot of fun and make some great new friends as well.

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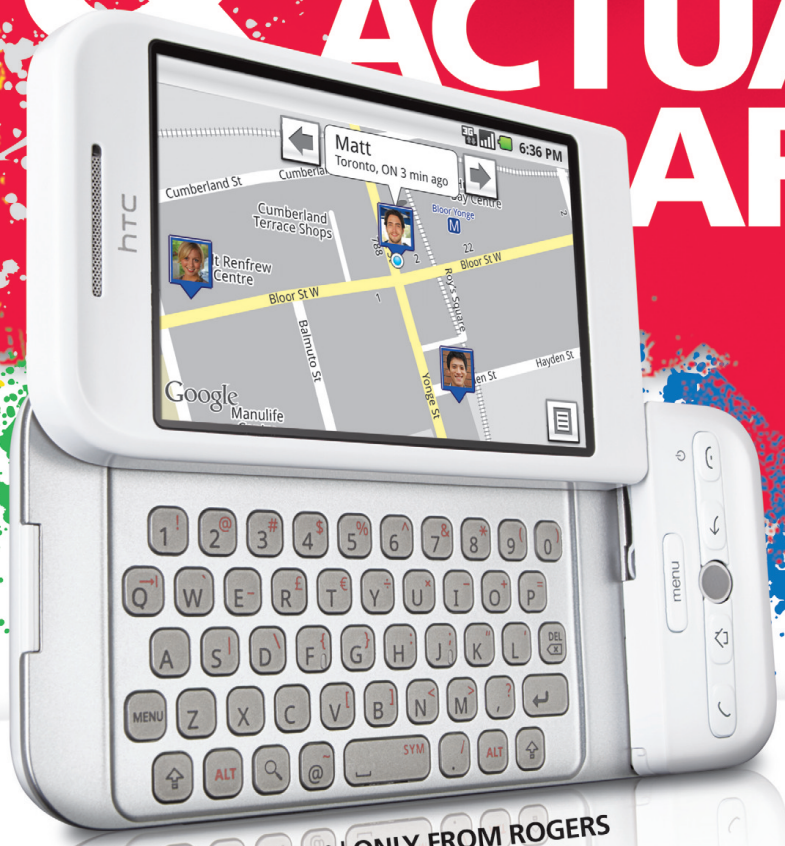


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